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	E	3,851,359	12/74	Wilson			
	F	4,044,429	8/77	Wagner			
	G	4,346,869	8/82	MacNeill			
	H	4,390,018	6/83	LeVeen et al.			
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	E	5,156,609	10/92	Nakao et al.			
	F	5,159,730	11/92	Radvin			
	G	5,174,276	12/29/92	Crockard			
	H	5,222,961	6/29/93	Nakao et al.			
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